Year-wise details of rent paid and other expenditure is as under:

(Figs. in lakhs of Rs.)

	Chandigarh		Lucknow	
Year	Rent	Other Expenditure	Rent	Other Expenditure
1995-96	1.95	1.28	3.11	0.39
1996-97	2.04	0.83	3.31	0.45
1997.98	0.72	4.20	3.36	0.26

Railways Claims Tribunal Chandigarh has been shifted to Govt. building w.e.f. 15.7.97

Statement

The Details of the Expenditure Incurred on Railways claims tribunal zone-wise are as under:—

(Figs in lakhs)

Railways	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
Central	41.32	46.72	52.86
Estern	49.57	57.64	84.74
Northern	77.04	88.73	155.12
N.E.	16.18	19.26	21.79
N.F.	17.30	19.91	24.55
Southern	51.36	68.00	82.88
S. Central	18.12	20.52	25.39
S. Eastern	23.05	19.16	23.55
Western	67.66	72.33	91.04

Provision of Additional Retiring Rooms and Platform Shelters etc. at Nagpur Junction

4251. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the works relating to provision of additional retiring rooms, escalators and extension of platform shelters at Nagpur Junction in Mahrashtra have been completed;

(b) if not the status thereof; and

(c) by when these works are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) Provision of additional retiring rooms and extension of platform shelters at Nagpur Junction is sanctioned work, These works will be executed after completion of requisite formalities and are expected to be completed by December 1999 subject to availability of funds. Provision of escalators is not a sanctioned work.

Order of D.R.M. Moradabad Regarding promotion of ST Candidates as Chief Goods Supervisors

4252. SHRI RAMJI LAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Divisional Railways Manager, Moradabad of Northern Railway has passed an order regarding promotion as Cheif Goods Supervisors of some Scheduled Tribes candidates working at Bareilly vide letter NO. E-10-78/Goods/CGS/96 dated 27th August, 1996;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken against the officer for delay in complaying with the order?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNNG AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) and (b) Yes Sir, Divisional Railways Manager, Moradabad has issued an order for promotion of Shri Moti Lal Meena to the post of Goods Supervisor in grade RS. 550-700 against an ST reserved point as per roster with effect from 11-6-84.

(c) Shri Moti Lal Meena had represented on 22-9-95 for giving him the benefit of promotion against ST point in the roster. The case was examined at apppropriate levels and it was decided on 30-7-96 that he can be promoted against unused ST point in the roster. Accordingly, order of his promotion was issued fixing his pay as per revised Scale in consultation with Finance. The time was taken in deciding the very old claim at appropriate levels and there was no intentional delay at any level.

N.G and M.G. Railway Lines in Gujarat

4253. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the total length of Narrow Gauge (NG) and Metre Gauge (MG) Railways lines which exist at present in the State of Gujarat NG and MG separately;

(b) the length of NG and MG lines in the State which are lying unused/damaged as on date, linewise;

(c) what steps Government have taken to repair the damaged lines and start rail traffic on the unused and repaired lines;

(d) whether Government have any plans to convert these NG and MG lines of the State into Broad Gauge (BG) in the near future; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) The total length of Narrow Gauge and Metre Gauge Railway lines (Route Kilometres) in the State of Gujarat as on 31-93-1997 (latest available) are given below:

Narrow Gague	876 Kms.
Metre Gauge	2532 Kms.

(b) The following NG and MG lines in Gujarat are lying unused/damaged:

NG Lines

(i) Kosamba-Umarapada — 61:96 Kms. since 16.06.1994

(ii) Ankleshwar — Jhagdia — Rajpipla — 62-80 kms. —since 16-06-1994

(iii) Jhagdia — Netrang — 2721kms. — since 16.06.1994

(iv) Chota Udaipur — Bodeli — 36.15 Kms. since 23.8.1990

(v) Dabhoi — Timba Road — 100.38 Kms. since 09.07.1993

(vi) Champaner — Pani mines — 49.14 Kms. since 23.08.1990

(vii) Godhra — Lunavada — 40.63 Kms. since 09.07.1993

MG Lines

Mahaesana — Ranuj — 26.37 Kms. since 30.06.1997

(c) Decision has already been taken to reopen the following NG Lines:—

(i) Kosamba — Umarpada — 61.96 Kms.

(ii) Ankleshwar — Jhagdia — Rajpipla — 62.80 Kms.

(iii) Jhagdia — Netrang — 27.21 Kms

(iv) Chota Udaipur — Bodeli — 36.15 Kms

(v) Dabhoi — Sanlaya — Timba Road — 100.38 Kms

The work of rebuilding of bridges on Mahesana — Ranuj section has been taken up and it is likely to be completed within 20 months.

(d) and (e) Out of these lines, only Mahesana Patan is likely to be converted to BG in the near future.